

THE STOCKYARDS SCHEME GOES TO COMMITTEE

Solicitor for Company States Enterprise Would be in Operation by September.

CHANGES IN CHARTER WILL BE DISCUSSED

Special Meeting for This Purpose to be Held Wednesday Afternoon.

Plans of the Edmonton Stockyards Limited, were laid before the city council yesterday, and a public hearing was adjourned by H. H. Edwards, K.C., legal representative of the company. Mr. Edwards asked that in view of the difficulty in the establishment of the stockyards, the council grant water, power and light to the company, and the extension of these utilities with sewerage and street railway, to be made from North Edmonton to the site of the stockyards. The cost of water, water power and light, he said, would be \$19,000 and of the street railway about \$15,000. This amount, he said, would be paid in full for four years taxes from the company's property and the company, in turn, would be ready to make the extensions, and the council would be bound to make the necessary contributions.

In Operation Next September

The stockyards, he said, would be in operation by next September. Within a few weeks, he said, the company would be from a quarter to half a million dollars in debt.

"The company," he stated, "would be in a position to meet all the extensions until such time as the taxes came in or debts were paid off."

Mr. Edwards, Mr. Donald Sparrow, Frith and Williamson, were invited to speak, and all agreed to enter into the proposals of the stockyards company.

Charter Amendments

Ex-Mayor George S. Abbott, representing the Edmonton Property Owners' Association, said that the association would meet the association to discuss several amendments to the charter, and that the association considered should be set at the annual meeting.

What amendments are you suggesting, asked Mr. Edwards?

"I do not know to me that there's any use in outlining the amendments at this time, as the time to do it would take too long."

The stockyards company promised to have their suggested amendments written out and copies for each member ready to be distributed at the stockholders' meeting today.

On a motion by Alderman McLean, the meeting adjourned.

It was decided to hold a meeting today at 3 o'clock to discuss chartered amendments.

First Street Market

Dr. W. H. Newell, K.C., presented a petition signed by 200 names, asking additional time for the market to be closed after the alterations in the market bylaw which went into effect on January 1st.

The delegation asked that the market be closed on January 1st, and that the association be given time to consider the matter.

The petition was referred to the committee committee.

No changes, representing a delegation from the Edmonton Leather and Fur Association, asked that the contract with the city by which the company paid a license fee for the market be closed to their plant be altered and that the company be allowed to sell leather and fur products and to sell water and other articles.

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After an absence of seven weeks, Alderman Joseph Clarke occupied his seat on the council, and Mr. Clarke, who has not yet returned, was 130 days absent.

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS

One Hundred British and 84 German Prisoners Are Being Exchanged.

Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 16.—The actual exchange of prisoners of war who have been incarcerated for further service is under way at Ostend, Belgium. One hundred and ninety-three soldiers, blind or maimed, are being exchanged.

There the train was transferred from German to Dutch authorities, but the Germans did not return the train to England.

London, Feb. 16.—The German officers and ninety-two soldiers, who have been held as prisoners since April for Holland, where they will be exchanged for British wounded.



THE LONG WATCH—A German soldier doing sentry duty in the deep snow of Russia.

C.P.R. SUBWAY DAMAGES ARE CUT DOWN FROM \$500,000 TO \$88,300

Board of Valuators Has Completed Work and Has Prepared Report for Council—Recommends Settlement of Claims at—\$88,300—Total of Claims as Filed Nearly \$500,000.

Owing to the fact that the railway is to assume responsibility for the damage, and of some half dozen losses, the valuators are recommending a postponement of settlement for the present.

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